

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS & REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: DICKINSON
MCDEVITT
MERLINO
BEATY
STROUGH
SIMPSON
CONOVER
BRAYMER

OTHERS PRESENT:

LEXIE DELUREY, DIRECTOR OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
MARY ELIZABETH KISSANE, ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS MONTESI
SOKOL
MICHAEL SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR: LEGGETT

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the November 3, 2016 meeting of the Environmental Concerns & Real Property Tax Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:

<http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2016/environmental/>

In the absence of Committee Chairman Dickinson, Supervisor McDevitt, as Vice Chairman, called the meeting of the Environmental Concerns & Real Property Tax Services Committee to order at 9:31 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Beaty and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Dickinson entered the meeting at 9:34 a.m. and assumed the role of Chairman.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Lexie Delurey, Director of Real Property Tax Services, who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; a second agenda prepared by the County Attorney's Office was also distributed. *Copies of both agendas are on file with the minutes.*

Commencing her agenda review, Ms. DeLurey presented the following request:

- 1) To authorize a transfer of funds in the amount of \$380 from Budget Code A.1355 110, Salaries-Regular, to Budget Code A.1355 120, Salaries-Overtime.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance, Personnel & Higher Education Committee. *A copy of the request is on file with the minutes.*

Moving on to the agenda prepared by the County Attorney's Office, Mr. Dickinson apprised of a request to convey a County-owned parcel located on Route 9 in the Town of Warrensburg, between parcels owned by National Grid and Warren Ford, to Warren Ford. He noted that Warren Ford had offered \$2,000 for the parcel, but said he would suggest that the parcel be conveyed for \$1, plus the cost of any fees associated with the transfer, in order to return the property to the County tax roll.

A motion was made by Mr. McDevitt and seconded by Mr. Merlino to approve to sell the parcel to Warren Ford for \$1, plus the cost of any fees associated with the transfer, as suggested by Mr. Dickinson.

A discussion ensued during which Mary Elizabeth Kissane, Assistant County Attorney, advised a second offer had recently been submitted by Warren Ford, increasing the amount offered to \$4,500, leading the Committee to consider whether they should convey the property for \$1, as suggested by Mr. Dickinson, or for the \$4,500 offered.

Mr. McDevitt subsequently withdrew his motion, and Mr. Merlino his second, to sell the parcel in question for \$1 plus the cost of any fees associated with the transfer.

A motion was then made by Mr. Beaty, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried by majority vote, with Mr. Dickinson voting in opposition, to authorize the sale of County-owned property located in the Town of Warrensburg to Warren Ford for the \$4,500 purchase price offered and refer same to the Finance, Personnel & Higher Education Committee.

Mrs. Kissane then requested a resolution seeking release of the NYSDOT (New York State Department of Transportation) maintenance easement over real property located in the Town of Warrensburg which was to be sold to Warren Ford.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November 18th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

There being no further business to come before the Environmental Concerns & Real Property Tax Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Simpson and seconded by Mr. Conover, Mr. Dickinson adjourned the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board